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**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
COMMITTEE ON
TRANSPORTATION
ANALYSIS**

BILL #: HB 457

RELATING TO: Bridge designations

SPONSOR(S): Representative(s) Spratt

TIED BILL(S):

ORIGINATING COMMITTEE(S)/COUNCIL(S)/COMMITTEE(S) OF REFERENCE:

- (1) TRANSPORTATION
 - (2) COUNCIL FOR READY INFRASTRUCTURE
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I. SUMMARY:

Section 334.071, F.S., explains the process for the Legislature to designate roads, bridges and other transportation facilities for honorary or memorial purposes.

HB 457 designates the following two bridges:

- The new U.S. Highway 27 bridge in the city of Moore Haven in Glades County is designated the "Mamie Langdale Memorial Bridge," and
- The old Nassau Sound Bridge on State Road 105 in Nassau and Duval counties is designated the "George Crady Bridge."

The bill directs the Florida Department of Transportation (DOT) to erect suitable markers at either end of the bridges, noting the designations.

HB 457 has an estimated initial fiscal impact of \$1,000 to DOT for producing and installing the markers.

The bill takes effect upon becoming a law.

II. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS:

A. DOES THE BILL SUPPORT THE FOLLOWING PRINCIPLES:

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| 1. <u>Less Government</u> | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. <u>Lower Taxes</u> | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. <u>Individual Freedom</u> | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. <u>Personal Responsibility</u> | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. <u>Family Empowerment</u> | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

For any principle that received a "no" above, please explain:

B. PRESENT SITUATION:

Section 334.071, F.S., explains the process for legislative designations of transportation facilities for honorary or memorial purposes, or to distinguish a particular facility. The legislative designations do not erase the current names of the facilities, nor do they require local governments and private entities to change street signs or addresses. Some public roads and bridges have multiple or overlapping designations.

Based on DOT records, 969 honorary road and bridge designations have been approved since 1922, most of them by the Legislature.

C. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

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- The old Nassau Sound Bridge on State Road 105 in Nassau and Duval counties is designated the "George Crady Bridge."

Also, the bill directs the Florida Department of Transportation (DOT) to erect suitable markers announcing the designations.

D. SECTION-BY-SECTION ANALYSIS:

Section 1: Designates the new U.S. Highway 27 bridge in Moore Haven the "Mamie Langdale Memorial Bridge." Directs DOT to erect markers.

Section 2: Designates the old Nassau Bridge on State Road 105 in Nassau and Duval counties the George Crady Bridge." Directs DOT to erect markers.

Section 3: Specifies this act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

III. FISCAL ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT:

A. FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE GOVERNMENT:

1. Revenues:

None.

2. Expenditures:

DOT expects initially to incur an estimated cost of \$1,000 to implement the bill. Production and installation costs are estimated at \$250 per marker, and each designated road gets two markers. DOT also expects indeterminate recurring costs of maintaining these signs and replacing them, over time.

B. FISCAL IMPACT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS:

1. Revenues:

None.

2. Expenditures:

None.

C. DIRECT ECONOMIC IMPACT ON PRIVATE SECTOR:

None.

D. FISCAL COMMENTS:

None.

IV. CONSEQUENCES OF ARTICLE VII, SECTION 18 OF THE FLORIDA CONSTITUTION:

A. APPLICABILITY OF THE MANDATES PROVISION:

The mandates provision is not applicable to an analysis of HB 457 because the bill does not require cities or counties to expend funds, or to take actions requiring the expenditure of funds.

B. REDUCTION OF REVENUE RAISING AUTHORITY:

HB 457 does not reduce the revenue-raising authority of counties or municipalities.

C. REDUCTION OF STATE TAX SHARED WITH COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES:

HB 457 does not reduce the state tax revenues shared with counties or municipalities.

V. COMMENTS:

A. CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES:

HB 457 does not raise any constitutional issues

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B. RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY:

DOT has sufficient rulemaking authority to implement HB 457.

C. OTHER COMMENTS:

None.

VI. AMENDMENTS OR COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES:

Not applicable.

VII. SIGNATURES:

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